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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Fonash et al.

Serial No.: 09/739,940

Filed: December 19, 2000

For: DEPOSITED THIN FILMS AND THEIR USE IN DETECTION,
ATTACHMENT, AND BIO-MEDICAL APPLICATIONS

Examiner: My-Chau T. Tran

Art Unit: 1641

Docket No.: 823.0052USQ

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

We are enclosing an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	72	Minus	74	9	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	Minus	3	0	x \$84.00	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					x \$280.00 = \$	
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES					\$0.00	

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____.

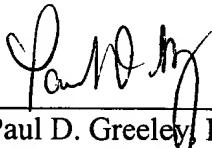
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— A Request for Extension of Time is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

April 8, 2003

Date


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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 24, 2003, which sets a shortened statutory period for reply to expire three months from the mailing date of the communication.

In the Claims:

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My Chau Tran

Please cancel claims 15 and 16 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the following claim:

1. (Thrice Amended) A method for the analysis of a sample comprising: